

REMARKS

Status of Claims

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Sheeba Ahmed for allowing Claims 76 and 77.

Claims 19, 30, 37, and 39 are cancelled herein without prejudice.

Claims 20, 28, 31, 41, 54, 56-58, 74, 75, 78, and 79 are amended herein to directly or indirectly depend from allowed Claims 76 and/or 77.

No new matter is introduced.

Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce cancelled claims, for example in a later-filed continuation application.

Applicants also wish to thank the Examiner for withdrawing the rejection of Claims 19, 20, 22-31, 37, 39, 41, 43-54, 56-58 and 74-79 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite.

Following amendment herein, Claims 20, 22-29, 31, 41, 43-54, 56-58, and 74-79 remain pending.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in View of Dobry et al.

Claims 19, 20, 22-31, 37, 39, 41, 43-54, 56-58, 74, 75, 78 and 79 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), as being anticipated by Dobry et al. (U.S. Patent No. 2,962,081). Of these claims, only Claims 20, 22-29, 31, 41, 43-54, 56-58, 74, 75, 78 and 79 remain pending. Based on the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, this rejection is now moot.

Although Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's assertions, in order to advance prosecution, Applicants have cancelled independent Claims 19 and 37. Further, Applicants have amended dependent Claims 20, 28, 31, 41, 54, 56-58, 74, 75, 78, and 79 to directly or indirectly depend from allowed Claims 76 and/or 77.

Based on the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, this rejection is now moot, therefore, withdrawal of the present rejection is respectfully requested.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in View of Harris

Claims 19, 20, 22-31, 37, 39, 41, 43-54, 56-58, 74, 75, 78 and 79 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b), as being anticipated by Harris (U.S. Patent No. 3,325,337). Of these claims, only Claims 20, 22-29, 31, 41, 43-54, 56-58, 74, 75, 78 and 79 remain pending. Based on the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, this rejection is now moot.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants believe these Amendments and Remarks place the claims in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If issues may be resolved through Examiner's Amendment, or clarified in any manner, a call to the undersigned attorney is respectfully requested.

No fees are believed due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 09-0528, referencing number 41461.0015.1.

Respectfully submitted



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